

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3600  
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : George E. Mueller et al.  
Application No. : 10/698,261  
Filed : October 31, 2003  
For : SYSTEM FOR USE OF EXTERNAL SECONDARY  
PAYLOADS (As Amended)

Examiner : Tien Quang Dinh  
Art Unit : 3644  
Docket No. : 59967-44  
Date : October 16, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2007, please extend the period of time for response 1 month, to expire on October 28, 2007. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-0258. Please amend the application as shown on the following pages: